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USING CONSENSUS PROFILES

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 27, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: 1) Exhibit A: marked version of the amended claims showing changes made; 2) Exhibit B: clean version of the pending claims, as amended; 3) Amendment Fee Transmittal, accompanied by the appropriate fee; 4) Notice of Appeal, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and 5) Petition for Extension of Time for a period of three months from September 27, 2002 up to and including December 27, 2002, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

IN THE CLAIMS:

A marked up version of the claims showing the amendments is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Matter that has been deleted from claims 1, 18, 26, 29, 31, 38-39, 50, 64, 72, 96, 106 and 123 is indicated by brackets and matter that has been added is indicated by

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